

## A RISING ALABAMIAN.

Editor A. H. Davidson Fulfills the Prophecy of his Youth—A Leader in Religious Works and Politics.

Henry D. Davidson was born on the Davidson plantation near Centreville, Ala., Dec. 16, 1869. He was the only son of Damon and Adaline Davidson. There were four children in all, three girls who are all dead. The late Capt. Samuel W. Davison said to Henry's father Damon while Henry was a baby in the cradle, "Damon, you had better take care of and educate that boy; I see a brilliant future for him. Ten dollars in his head will be worth a thousand in his pocket."

This bore upon the boy's father's mind very heavily, so as soon as Henry was old enough he was sent to the common schools of Centreville, which was only of three months duration each year. However Henry managed to pick up enough information with what



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he gained from these little schools to cause the late Ex-Governor E. H. Moren to exclaim to the boy's father one day, "Damon, 'tis time that you were teaching that boy to work; he knows more than three-fourths of the white folks of Bibb county now." "All right Doctor, he does whatever work I want him to do," said Damon.

Henry was much noted in the community around for his honesty and integrity. Older as well as young boys always sought his council. He was converted and joined the A. M. E. Church at the age of ten, and at 17 elected superintendent of the Mt. Sinai A. M. E. Sunday school which position he holds until today. He entered the Selma University the fall of 1888. He attended this school only one session, went back home, took the examination, passed and taught the same school of which he was a pupil the year before, and has taught this school nearly every year since.

He entered Payne University at Selma, Ala., when it was first started and graduated from the Normal Academic department of this school in 1893 with the first class. He has been teaching every year since graduation. He married February 16th 1899 to Miss Lula J. Davis, a graduate of Tuskegee and an old time class and school mate. He has been honored in several ways by the people. He was a lay delegate to the late General Conference of the A. M. E. Church at Columbus, Ohio. In 1896 he was principal of the Sherwood Institute Columbiana, Ala. Mr. Davidson has twice been elected chairman of the republican executive committee of Bibb county, Ala., and was an alter-

nate delegate to the National Republican Convention at Philadelphia. He established The Bibb Sentinel, a newspaper published at Centreville, Ala. He is 30 years old at this writing and is rightly regarded as one of the coming men of Alabama.

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